Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-18 (Cancelled)

19. (New) A control system for a motor vehicle comprising:

a manual operating device, having a plurality of degrees of freedom for selecting or activating entries in a menu structure with a plurality of menu levels; and

a screen display with a plurality of presentation areas which represent the menu structure, and each of which comprises at least one field for presenting one of the entries; wherein

on at least one level of the menu structure in at least one of the presentation areas, at least one first entry is selected, activated or set by an adjusting movement with a first or a second of the plurality of degrees of freedom for the manual operating device;

first and second degrees of freedom correspond to an orientation of the at least one first entry in at least one active presentation area on the screen display;

at least one second entry is activated or set after the adjusting movement with the first or second degree of freedom, by subsequently holding the manual operating device; and

at least one presentation area which is currently active is exited by an adjusting movement with a third or a fourth degree of freedom for the manual operating device, the third and the fourth degrees of freedom being at right angles to the orientation of the at least one first entry.

20. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one second entry has the same orientation as the at least one first entry.

21. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one second entry represents a detail presentation of the activated or set first entry.

22. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one first entry is in the form of a line strip including a plurality of lines, with each line representing a selectable subentry of the same type.

23. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 22, wherein the at least one first entry is set by a cursor which is in the form of a bar and which is positioned on one of the lines using the manual operating means by operating with the first or second degree of freedom.

24. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one second entry is in the form of a level indicator, the current level being presented by a cursor which is in the form of an alterable bar.

25. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 24, wherein the current level is set using the manual operating device by operating with the first and second degree of freedom and subsequently holding the manual operating device.

26. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 24, wherein the level indicates a current position or an elapsed time period within the second entry.

27. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one first entry represents a plurality of selectable radio or television stations or music titles or video clips within an audio application or a video application or a television application.

28. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one first entry activates one of a "next entry" function and a "previous entry" function within an audio application, a video application or a television application.

29. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein the at least one second entry activates or presents one of a "fast forward" function, a "fast

rewind" function and a "station search" function within an audio application or a video application or a television application.

30. (New) A control system for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a manual operating device having a plurality of degrees of freedom for selecting or activating entries in a menu structure with a plurality of menu levels; and

a screen display with a plurality of presentation areas for presenting the menu structure, where the presentation areas respectively comprise at least one field for presenting one of the entries; wherein,

at least one entry has at least one associated parameter which is set on at least one level of the menu structure;

at least one first parameter is altered by an adjusting movement of the manual operating device with a first or a second of the plurality of degrees of freedom, where the first or the second degree of freedom corresponds to an orientation of the altered first parameter in the active presentation area; and

an adjusting movement with a fifth degree of freedom for the manual operating device stores the altered first parameter and exits the active presentation area.

31. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 30, wherein the at least one first parameter represents a "balance" or "volume" or "bass" or "treble" function within an audio application.

32. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 30, wherein:

at least one second parameter is altered by an adjusting movement of the manual operating device with a third or a fourth of the plurality of degrees of freedom, where the third or the fourth degree of freedom corresponds to an orientation of the altered second parameter in the active presentation area; and

the altered second parameter is stored by an adjusting movement of the manual operating device with the fifth degree of freedom, and the active presentation area is exited.

33. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 32, wherein the at least one second parameter represents one of a "fader", "volume", "bass" and "treble" function within an audio application.

34. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 32, wherein the first and the second parameters are altered on the same menu level and in the same presentation area.

35. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein, with a vertical arrangement of the at least one entry or of the at least one parameter in the active presentation area:

the first degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a positive y direction;

the second degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a negative y direction;

the third degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a positive x direction;

the fourth degree of the freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a negative x direction; and

the fifth degree of freedom is the manual operating device being pressed in a negative z direction in an xyz coordinate system.

36. (New) The control system as claimed in claim 19, wherein, with a horizontal arrangement of the at least one entry or of the at least one parameter in the active presentation area:

the first degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a positive x direction;

the second degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a negative x direction;

the third degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a positive y direction;

the fourth degree of freedom is the manual operating device being slid in a negative y direction; and

the fifth degree of freedom is the manual operating device being pressed in a negative z direction in an xyz coordinate system.

37. (New) The control system of claim 20, wherein the at least one second entry represents a detail presentation of the activated or set first entry.

38. (New) The control system of claim 20, wherein the at least one first entry is in the form of a line strip including a plurality of lines, with each line representing a selectable subentry of the same type.